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SUBJECT: BELGIUM AND CUBA EXCHANGE TRADE MISSIONS

1. BELGIAN FOREIGN MINISTRY HAS ANNOUNCED EXCHANGE OF TRADE MISSIONS WITH CUBA. TOTAL OF FIVE CUBAN MISSIONS SCHEDULED TO VISIT BELGIUM. FIRST, HEADED BY "VICE MINISTER FOR COMMERCE" GARCIA, VISITED BELGIUM LAST WEEK TO DISCUSS CUBAN PURCHASE OF TELEPHONE, HARBOR, AND RAILROAD EQUIPMENT. THREE MORE MISSIONS WILL ARRIVE SHORTLY TO EXPLORE IMPORTS OF FERTILIZERS AND TEXTILES OR TEXTILE MACHINERY. FIFTH IS DUE HERE END OF SPRING. IT WILL BE OVERALL TRADE MISSION UNDER LEADERSHIP OF A VICE PRIME MINISTER.

2. FOREIGN MINISTRY SPOKESMAN SAID THAT, IN RETURN, BELGIUM WILL SEND EXPLORATORY TEAM OF GOVERNMENT FUNCTIONARIES AND REPRESENTATIVES OF BUSINESS FEDERATIONS TO HAVANA IN MAY OR JUNE. FIRESTONE

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